Smt. M. R. LAKSHAMMA.—Are the Government aware that the day is not far off when women lawyers by dint of their virtue will occupy very high places in the judiciary ?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I shall be very happy if that day comes soon.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Question hour is over.

QUESTION FOR ANSWER ON THE DAY
(but not taken up)

Opening of Central Colleges in the South

168. Sri KESHAV RAO NITTURKAR (Teachers' Constituency).—Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Government is aware of the proposal of the Union Education Minister to open Central Colleges in the South ;

(*b*) if so, whether the Government had indicated any place for such college to be opened in the State ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) No communication has so far been received from the Government of India.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Calling Attention to a Matter of Urgent Public Importance
re : Hunger Strike by Workers of Government Soap Factory

Sri Y. S. PATIL (Graduates' Constituency).—Sir, I call the attention of the Minister for Law, Labour and Parliamentary Affairs to the hunger strike undertaken by the workers of the Government Soap Factory, Bangalore.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Law, Labour and Parliamentary Affairs).—Sir, the hon. members have given notice to call my attention to the hunger strike undertaken by the workers of the Government Soap Factory, Bangalore.

There are two Trade Unions in the Government Soap Factory—the Workers and Staff Association and the Government Soap Factory Employees' Union. During 1967 the workers and Staff Association of Government Soap Factory placed a charter of demands before the management of the Government Soap Factory. This charter of demands contained about 11 demands pertaining to revision of pay scales,